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# The British Lion's Restless Brood

Restless to realize all the blessings of their united greatness and their individual equality—a restlessness of growth and readjustment, transforming a vast Empire into a world-wide Commonwealth of Free Nations. When did this great change begin? How

was America responsible for its beginning? In what way did Canada hasten it? And Ireland? By what steps and through what difficulties is the process continuing? What important steps remain to be taken? Shall America hinder or help?

## Canada, the Land of Potentialities

How does Canada compare with the ancient Roman Empire? With the British Isles? With the United States? How may Canada determine the future destiny of the world commonwealth of Greater Britain? Under what circumstances did the close friendship between the United States and Canada begin, and what is its special significance? How have the physical characteristics of Canada affected the development of her national life? What are the fabulous resources of the Dominion?

## "Old Ireland" the New

When and how did the "rebirth of the Gael" begin, and how did it result in the Irish Free State? What was at the root of Ireland's trouble with England? What is the "peculiar cultural and spiritual ancestry" of the Irish people? What is the Irish attitude toward death? What was the Irish Republican Army really like; and what are the facts from both points of view regarding the Sinn Fein? Of what importance is the Irish Free State as an economic factor in the world? What is the effect of the new Agreement on Ulster?

## India, Seething With Unrest

Will India break away from the British Commonwealth and become an independent Moslem state; will the Mohammedans restore the Sultan of Turkey to his former power; or will India remain as a dazzling jewel in the British crown? What is the wonderful story of this land of extremes, this home of one of the oldest civilizations in history,—this "motherland of religion"? What are the most marked causes of the great unrest and discontent?

## America's Attitude Toward Great Britain

Why have some papers been declaring that war between America and Great Britain "is inevitable," while others insist that we are "entering an era of more friendly relations than ever"? What is the prevailing American opinion, and upon what is it based? Should the United States "share with Great Britain the burdens of the world as a whole"? How will the rivalry between the British Commonwealth and the American Commonwealth for world trade be carried on, and with what result?

## THE BIG STORY OF A GIANT EMPIRE CHANGING TO A DEMOCRATIC COMMONWEALTH

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## OUT TO-DAY

### Bases of British Strength

With all its wealth, natural resources, financial strength, and means of defense on land and sea how is England kept from starving? How are the products of the British Empire related to the life of the rest of the world? How is British naval supremacy affected by the Washington agreement? Where have the sons of Britain been going for the past 200 years, and with what effect upon the motherland?

### British Character, Culture and Life

From what "hated enemy" is the dominant strain of English blood traced? What are the natural characteristics of the people and their attitude toward war? What is their notion of private rights, and how does it affect their government? What contradictory things are found in their character and temper, and what general principle accounts for them? How is the growth of democracy changing the British people?

### Egypt Under the British Regime

What modern wonders in Egypt compare, for greatness, with the ancient pyramids and the ruins of Luxor? What has Britain been doing for the last forty years in Lower Egypt and along the Upper Nile? How has Egypt developed; what is the present condition of her people, and when did the new Egyptian "nationalist movement" become militant?

## Australia, the Real Land of the Golden Fleece

The oldest continent on earth; larger than the United States; nearly as big as all Europe; a land of wonders and mysteries; surpassing all people in the world in per capita wealth and productive power; ninety-seven per cent of her people of pure British descent; a laboratory of political experiments,—what is the relation of Australia to the British Crown, how is the country governed, what are her political problems, and what is her place in the economic program of the world?

## New Zealand First

Did you know that New Zealand was the first country in the world to make compulsory the conciliation and arbitration of industrial disputes? That it was the first country to establish universal penny postage, state fire insurance, state maternity homes; non-contributing old-age pensions, and many other social and economic reforms? Do you want to know all about this remarkable country of which Bryce declares that "nowhere is the level of comfort higher; there are no millionaires, very few rich persons, and no class of people is sunk anywhere near to the margin of subsistence"?

## Changing Tides in South Africa

What marvelous transformation in South Africa has brought about "one of the most dramatic chapters in the modern history of the British Empire"? What caused the Boers, who fought against the British in 1900, to fight for the British in 1915? How did the Union of South Africa become possible, and what claim has it to distinction as "the only real democracy in the world of to-day"? Why is the color problem "the most serious question before the people of South Africa"? What is the thrilling and picturesque story of the taking and making of Rhodesia?

## British Power in the West Indies

What special American significance has been found in the fact that this chain of islands flanks the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean Sea? What are the social, industrial, political, and commercial characteristics and possibilities of these groups of several thousand islands? Is there a probability of an Imperial Federation of the Caribbean Colonies under the leadership of Jamaica?

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